

Bee yard: moving colonies (large scale operator with pollination contracts)

1. User:
 - beekeepers who move a large number of colonies for pollination contracts
2. Frequency of use:
 - seasonal (depends on beekeeper and pollination contracts)
3. Reasons for recording this information include:
 - business management
 - it's a tool to keep track of colonies
 - it might help to provide explanation if colonies fail to thrive after returning from pollination
 - financial planning
 - it's a tool to help beekeepers determine if sending colonies for pollination in subsequent years is a sound financial decision for their operation
 - bee biosecurity
 - helps ensure correct protocol followed
 - helps to trace disease in colonies if contamination occurred during pollination contract
 - it is a record of stressors which may increase bee susceptibility to disease
 - food safety
 - helps ensure correct protocol followed
 - it's a tool to help trace potential honey contaminants
 - helps ensure correct protocol followed
 - part of overall management to reduce potential contaminants in honey
4. References to the Bee Biosecurity Standard and CBISQT:
 - Bee Biosecurity Standard: pages 23-24, 33 and 98
 - CBISQT: none
 - this template is an adaptation of Bee Biosecurity Standard form 4.0 (page 142)
5. General comments:
 - small scale operators who move a few colonies for pollination to nearby crops may find the template "Bee yard: moving colonies (excluding for large pollination contracts) more suitable